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**Warden Message #9/2010: Easier Online Voter Registration**

It's an election year. Make sure you're registered to vote absentee using the new online voter registration assistant at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov).

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) has launched an online voter registration assistant in conjunction with Armed Forces Voters Week (AFVW) and Overseas Citizens' Voters Week (OCVW) June 28 - July 7, to help overseas voters better navigate the registration process. The new online FVAP Voter Registration Assistant, available now, helps automate a once cumbersome, manual process in advance of the mid-term elections. Go to [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov) to register and request your absentee ballot.

The online FVAP Voter Registration Assistant guides users through voter registration, avoiding the confusion of navigating the State-by-State instructions to fill out the registration forms. Guiding voters step-by-step ensures that all information is filled out completely before moving on. At the end of the process, the assistant provides the completed form for signature and the appropriate address and delivery information for their voting district (mail, fax or email).

In 2008, FVAP asked local election officials why registration and absentee ballots were rejected. The responses indicated that the voting forms were inadequate, incomplete or mailed to the wrong jurisdiction. Since Uniformed Service and overseas voters must start the voting process earlier than their stateside friends and relatives, fewer mistakes at the outset of the process ensures that the appropriate documentation is received and returned on time.

"You may be absent come Election Day, but you CAN be accounted for," remarked Bob Carey, FVAP Director. "Go to [FVAP.gov](http://FVAP.gov), fill out your registration and absentee ballot application online, and send it back in July so that your election official has time to process it and send you back your absentee ballot for the November general election."

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